

# **Faculty Mission: Enable 49 ML & AI Solutions That 1.4 Billion People Are Waiting For**

## **Audience:**

BE & ME Faculty | EEE | ECE | CSE |  
ML/AI Departments



# The One Change Faculty Engineer Can Make

**Require every student to build ONE complete, working, real-world product – from concept to tested product – Not in one semester – Not in one year – Make use of all the 4 Years**

## What the Product Must Include

- Problem definition & design calcs
- Circuit design / mechanical design
- PCB / CAD creation
- Prototype fabrication & debugging
- Testing with measured data
- BOM cost estimation
- Compliance pre-checks (EMI, safety)

## Why This Differs from Typical Projects

- No purchased kits – original design required
- Must physically work and be measured
- Failure analysis is mandatory
- Iterative improvements documented
- Cross-disciplinary teams encouraged
- Faculty grade the working demo, not just report

## Suggested Evaluation Weighting

- 20% – Concept & design review
- 20% – Prototype implementation
- 20% – Debugging & improvements
- 20% – Testing & measured results
- 10% – Documentation
- 10% – Final working demonstration



## Example Projects by Branch

- ECE/EEE: DC-DC converters, motor controllers, BMS, Embedded Systems that are AI ready
- CSE: Deployable IoT software with tests & monitoring, Deploy ML on Embedded systems
- Mechanical: Gearbox / actuator with load testing
- Civil: Structural health sensor or water filter model
- All: IoT sensor node with AI and cloud dashboard

*I believe faculties embracing this change will be felt & respected by Students & Nation, rather than leaving it for natural/forceful correction*

# Faculty Advantage: Generative AI as Your Industry Co-Mentor

You don't need 20 years of industry experience to guide students on EMC, environmental testing, or product certification — you need the right AI tools and the confidence to use them alongside your students. **It is also essential to allocate time to reach out to hands-on proven professionals, may be your alumni**

## The Honest Reality: Where Faculty Stand Today

**<15%**

Engineering faculty regularly use GenAI tools in teaching

**>70%**

Students use ChatGPT / Gemini / Copilot / Claude / Grok weekly

**3–5 yrs**

Average gap between industry practice & college syllabus

**Today**

Best time to close the gap — tools are free or low cost

## Four Ways Faculty Can Use GenAI Right Now — Starting This Week

### EMC & Signal Integrity Guidance

- Prompt: 'My student's PCB has a 48MHz MCU — list the top 5 EMC risks and how to mitigate them in layout'
- Ask for decoupling capacitor selection, trace impedance, and return path analysis
- Get IEC 61000-4 test explanations with plain-language pass/fail criteria
- Generate pre-compliance checklists tailored to the specific circuit
- Tools: Claude, ChatGPT-4o, Gemini Advanced

### Environmental & IP Rating Design

- Ask for IP54/IP65/IP67 enclosure design requirements for a given application
- Get material selection guidance for tropical, humid or dusty Indian conditions
- Generate thermal calculations for enclosure sizing
- Get IEC 60068 test standards (temp cycling, humidity, vibration) explained simply
- Tools: Claude, ChatGPT-4o

### Component Selection & BOM Review

- Upload a student's schematic or BOM — ask AI to flag design risks
- Get alternate component suggestions for obsolete or out-of-stock parts
- Ask for worst-case tolerance analysis on regulators or filter circuits
- Identify single points of failure in a power supply design
- Tools: Claude (with file upload), ChatGPT-4o

### Certification & Compliance Roadmap

- Ask: 'What certifications does a soil moisture IoT device sold in India need?'
- Get a step-by-step BIS / WPC / CE / FCC pre-compliance checklist
- Generate a test plan for a student product targeting a specific standard
- Understand cost and timeline for each certification stage
- Tools: Claude, Perplexity (for live regulatory search)

## Sample Prompts to Try Today

- "Explain conducted EMI and how a student can reduce it in a SMPS project — use simple language"
- "Review this BOM for a 12V motor controller — flag any missing protection components"
- "What environmental tests must a water-quality sensor pass for outdoor use in India?"
- "Generate a 10-point design review checklist for a student building a LoRaWAN sensor node"

## 3 Actions This Week

- 1 Pick one project — Open Claude or ChatGPT — ask it to review a student schematic for EMC risks.
- 2 Run a mock design review — Ask AI for a 10-point checklist. Grade the student's design against it.
- 3 Build a prompt library — Save one useful AI response per week. Share it across the department.

The student who builds an EMC-aware design with AI assistance learns more than one who copies a kit. The faculty who guides that process becomes an industry-relevant mentor — without needing a full fledged factory.

# Faculty - The Sovereign Change Agent

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Faculty, the eagle,  
can fly above all the barriers to “Reclaim the Joy of Engineering”

*“Many faculties may be overwhelmed by responsibilities already.*

*That is exactly why this proposal does not add a single line of paperwork.*

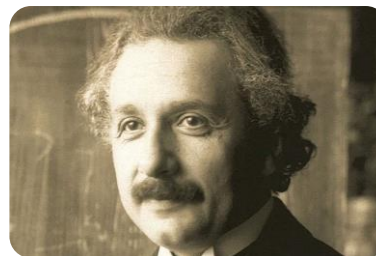
*We are not changing the syllabus immediately; we are changing the execution.*

*Watch that change in our students as they turn as “fellow engineers” journeying with us for 4 years.*

***Not just Student, the Faculty will enjoy the thrill of building things that works flawless.***



"The purpose of education is to create good human beings with skill and expertise. Enlightened human beings can be created by teachers." – **Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam**



"The value of a college education is not the learning of many facts, but the training of the mind to think." – **Albert Einstein**



# India Engineering Product Platform Initiative

## IEPPI

A Four-Year Faculty-Led Framework  
for Hands-On Engineering Education in India



## Mission

### Transforming India's 3,500 Engineering Colleges into Product-Building Ecosystems

**~15L**

B.Tech seats/year

**~3,500**

Engineering colleges

**Only ~5L**

Core engineering jobs

**5 Years**

Transform the gap

*Presented to Engineering Faculty Leaders across India*

# IEPPI - Platform Architecture


# INTELLIGENT CONNECTED SYSTEMS

Analogous to Intelligent Humans and Many Humans Collaborating in a Society

An Intelligent Connected System senses, thinks, acts and communicates. Many such systems connect and collaborate to create collective intelligence.

### 1. THE INDIVIDUAL – INTELLIGENT HUMAN

A single human is intelligent and can act independently.



- SENSES** (Eyes, Ears, Skin, etc.)  
Perceive the environment
- MIND** (Brain)  
Thinks, learns, decides and plans
- ACTIONS** (Muscles & Limbs)  
Executes actions in the real world
- ENERGY** (Heart)  
Provides and sustains energy

A human can sense, think, act and survive on their own.

### 2. THE INTELLIGENT SYSTEM – THE INDIVIDUAL AGENT

An intelligent system can operate autonomously.



- SENSORS**  
Capture data from the environment
- EDGE AI** (MCU/MPU/NPU + AI/ML)  
Processes data locally, learns, decides and makes predictions
- ACTUATORS**  
Executes actions through motors, valves, relays, etc.
- POWER SYSTEM**  
Supplies and manages energy

Autonomous Adaptive Real-time Reliable

An intelligent system senses, thinks, acts and operates independently.

### 3. THE COMMUNICATION CHANNEL

Enables systems to share information.

- CONNECTIVITY** (Wired, Wireless, LPWAN, Cellular, Bluetooth, etc.)  
Transmits data to and from other systems
- PROTOCOLS** (Language & Rules)  
Defines how systems communicate and understand each other
- GATEWAYS**  
Bridges between local systems and remote networks / cloud
- SECURITY**  
Ensures authentic, secure and reliable communication

The communication channel enables exchange of information and collaboration.

### 4. THE SOCIETY – COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE

Many intelligent systems collaborate to solve bigger problems and create greater impact.



Multiple systems connect, share, learn and make better decisions – together as a society.

## STANDALONE vs CONNECTED

STANDALONE INTELLIGENT SYSTEM (Like a single individual)	CONNECTED INTELLIGENT SYSTEMS (Like people in a community)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operates independently</li> <li>Makes local decisions</li> <li>Works without connectivity</li> <li>Suitable for real-time and offline use</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Share data and context</li> <li>Collaborate and coordinate</li> <li>Learn from collective data</li> <li>Create system-level insights</li> </ul>

## EXAMPLE APPLICATIONS

Smart Irrigation	Predictive Maintenance	Patient Monitoring	Traffic Management
Fleet Tracking	Smart Buildings	Environmental Monitoring	Energy Management

## MAPPING TABLE: HUMAN ANALOGY vs INTELLIGENT CONNECTED SYSTEMS

Human Analogy	Intelligent Connected Systems	Functional Role	Required for Standalone Operation?
Senses (Eyes, Ears, Skin)	Sensors	Observe the environment	Yes
Mind / Intelligence	Edge AI (MCU/MPU/NPU + AI/ML)	Think, learn, decide	Yes
Actions (Muscles & Limbs)	Actuators	Execute actions	Yes / Optional
Energy (Heart)	Power System	Supply and sustain energy	Yes
Communication (Voice, Language)	Connectivity (Wired / Wireless)	Share information	No
Society / Community	Multiple Systems & Cloud	Collective intelligence	No

## KEY TAKEAWAY

An Intelligent Connected System is like an intelligent human – it can sense, think, act and survive on its own. Connectivity enables many such systems to collaborate and create collective intelligence – like a society.

## THE COMPLETE ECOSYSTEM

Individual Intelligent System (Autonomous) + Communication Channel (Share & Exchange) + Collective Intelligence (Analyze & Learn) = Smarter Society Better Decisions Greater Impact

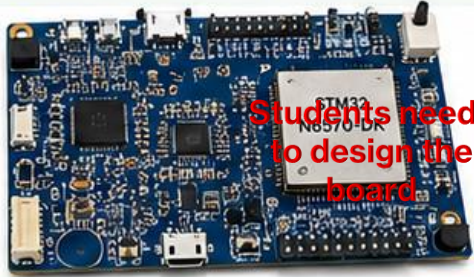
## IN ONE LINE

From intelligent individuals to a connected society – Intelligent Connected Systems make the world smarter, safer and more sustainable.

# The Embedded AI Platform Family – EAP-1 to EAP-3

## EAP-1: TinyML Node

STM32N6 · Ethos-U55 NPU · 4.8 TOPS · No Linux ·  
Battery powered · Real-time



Students needs to design the board

- Ultra low power
- Real-time Inference
- Wireless Connectivity

Design element	Specification
Processor	STM32N6 — Cortex-M55 + Ethos-U55 NPU
AI framework	X-CUBE-AI — Keras/TF/ONNX → optimised C
Best for	Audio classification · vibration anomaly · basic image
Power	µA sleep · mA inference · years on battery
Connectivity	LoRa STM32WL or BLE nRF5340
POC board	STM32N6570-DK (₹6,000–9,000)
Engineering target	Custom 4-layer PCB + STM32N6 chip

### Solutions



## EAP-2: Edge AI Gateway

STM32MP2 / RPi CM4 · Linux + real-time ·  
Multi-sensor fusion · Government API



Complete board design / SOM + Carrier board design approach

- Cloud / API Ready
- Multi-sensor Fusion
- Secure & Updatable

Design element	Specification
Processor	STM32MP257 (A35+M33+NPU) or RPi CM4
AI framework	ONNX Runtime · TF Lite · Python on Linux
Best for	Multi-sensor fusion · government API · MQTT broker · OTA
Power	Mains or large battery + solar
Connectivity	NB-IoT · LoRa gateway · 4G · WiFi
POC board	STM32MP157F-DK2 or RPi CM4 + IO Board
Engineering target	Custom carrier board — see Appendix C-14

### Solutions



## EAP-3: Vision AI Node

Jetson Orin Nano · 40 TOPS · CUDA ·  
Multi-camera · DeepStream

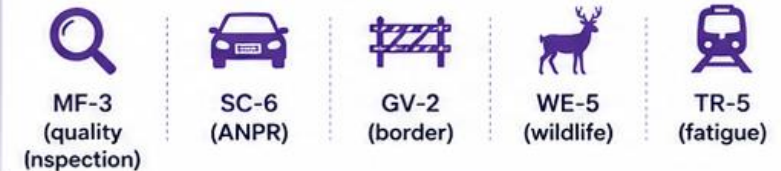


SOM + Carrier board design approach

- Multi-camera Vision
- High Performance Inference
- GPU Acceleration

Design element	Specification
Processor	NVIDIA Jetson Orin Nano (40 TOPS)
AI framework	NVIDIA DeepStream · YOLO · TensorRT
Best for	Defect detection · ANPR · wildlife ID · face recognition
Power	5–10W — mains or large solar
Connectivity	GigE Vision (camera) · 4G/5G · WiFi
POC board	Jetson Orin Nano Dev Kit (₹22,000–28,000)
Engineering target	Custom carrier board — thermal + camera interface

### Solutions



- Common across all EAPs:
- NABL / BIS / ISO compliant hardware design
  - Secure boot & encrypted firmware update
  - Edge-to-Cloud integration
  - Modular, scalable & field upgradable

# IEPPI - Platform Architecture

A modular, application-agnostic hardware platform shared across 3,500 colleges —  
*designed from Day 1 for EMC, environmental robustness and certification pathways.*

## Layer 1 Sensor Layer

*Agriculture · Water · Industrial · Cold Chain*

- Soil: moisture, EC, pH, NPK, leaf wetness
- Water: flow, pressure, level, turbidity, DO, conductivity
- Industrial: temperature, vibration, current, gas, RPM
- Cold Chain: temp, humidity, door state, compressor current
- Analog front-ends with calibration & traceability

## Layer 2 Embedded Processing Layer

*Class A (Basic) · Class B (Connected) · Class C (Edge AI)*

- **Class A** – MCU, local display, data log, TinyML (STM32G4, MSPM0)
- **Class B** – Wi-Fi, BLE, LoRaWAN, NB-IoT, RS-485, CAN, OTA (ESP32, STM32H5)
- **Class C** – Linux + MCU, vision AI, edge analytics (TI AM62A, i.MX8M, Jetson Orin Nano)
- All classes: TinyML ready, secure boot, OTA update
- Open firmware stack: FreeRTOS / Zephyr, TFLite Micro, ONNX

## Layer 3 Load Control Layer

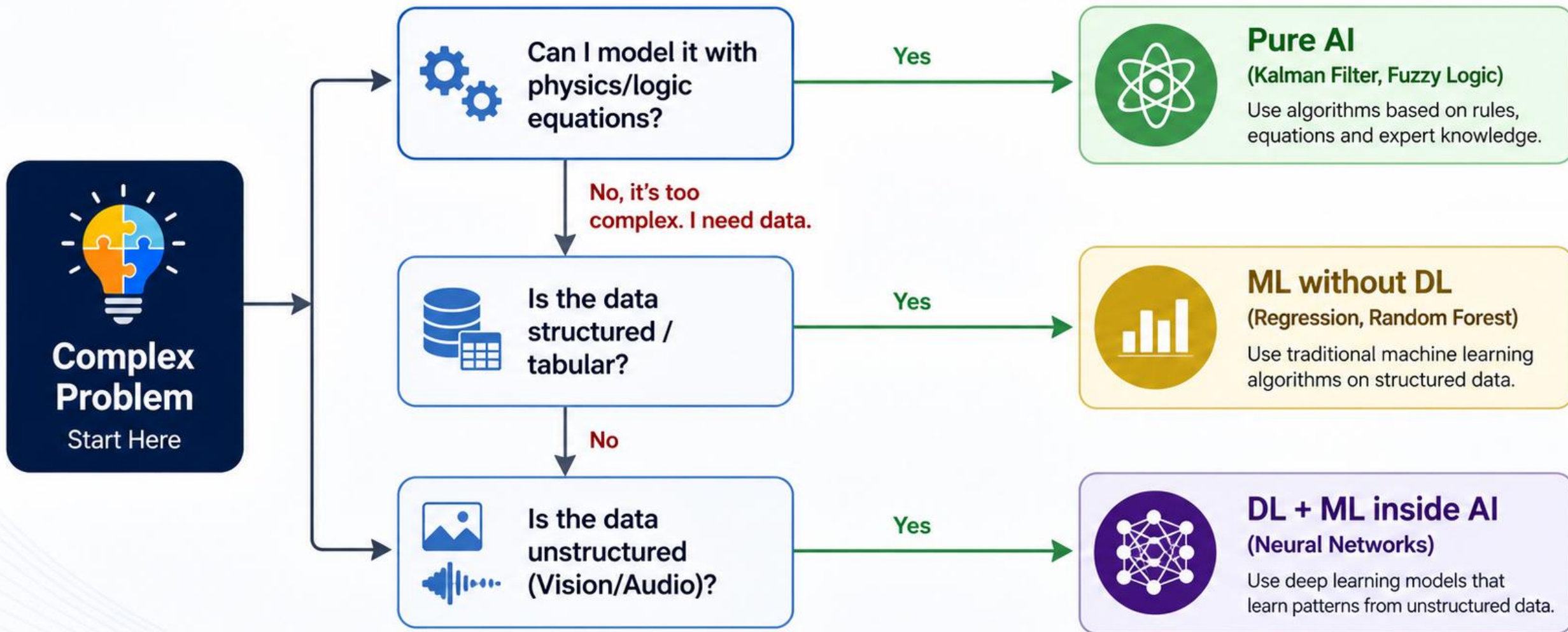
*Actuation · Power · Drives*

- Relay & SSR outputs with isolation
- Triac dimmers & soft starters
- VFD interfaces (RS-485 / CAN)
- Brushed / BLDC motor drivers
- Solenoid & valve controllers
- H-bridge modules

A modular, application-agnostic hardware platform ; not complex; no immediate big investments for lab; Same platform but variety of solutions for India specific needs across multiple domains

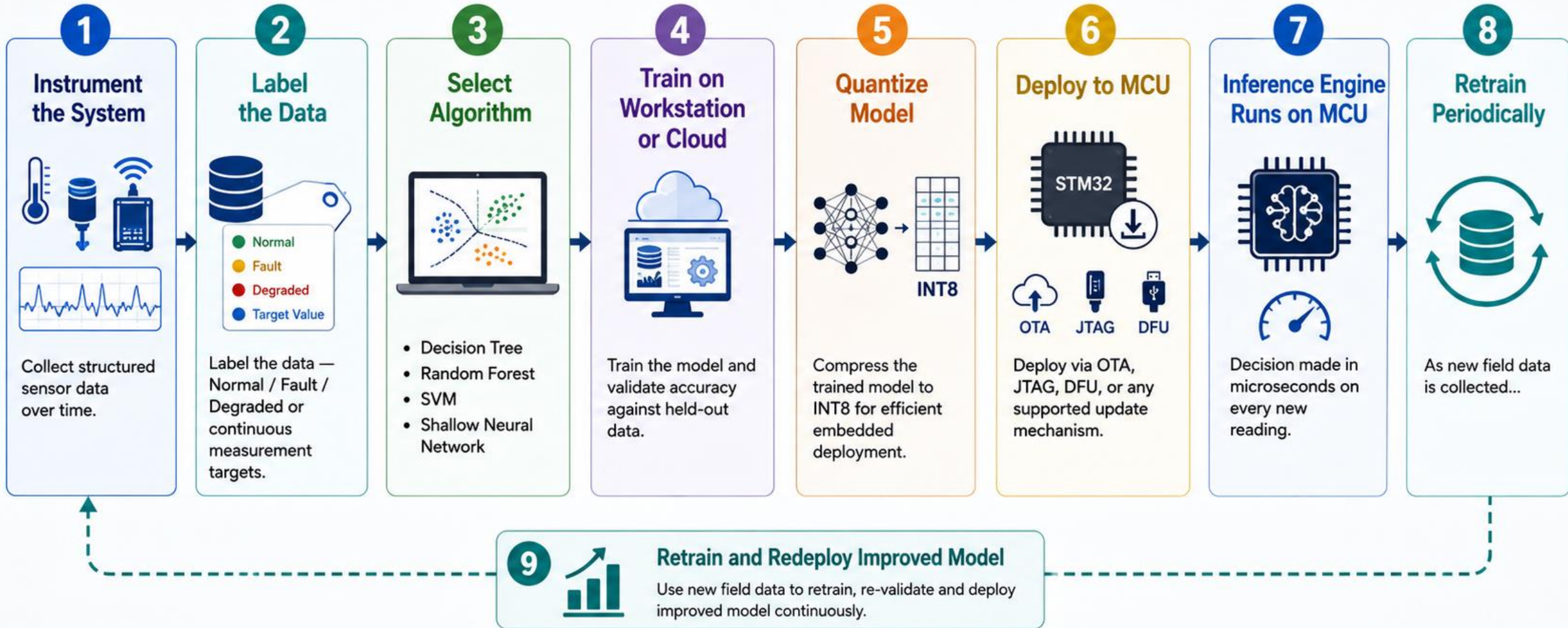
# How to Choose the Right AI Approach?

A Decision Tree for AI / ML / DL



**Key Takeaway:** Match the problem and data type to the right AI approach for better results, efficiency and interpretability.

# Machine Learning based AI Implementation Process – End to End



Adaptive Improvement

Higher Accuracy over Time

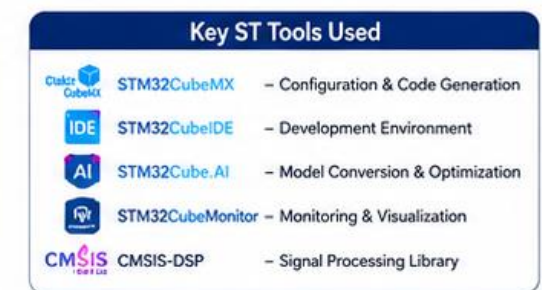
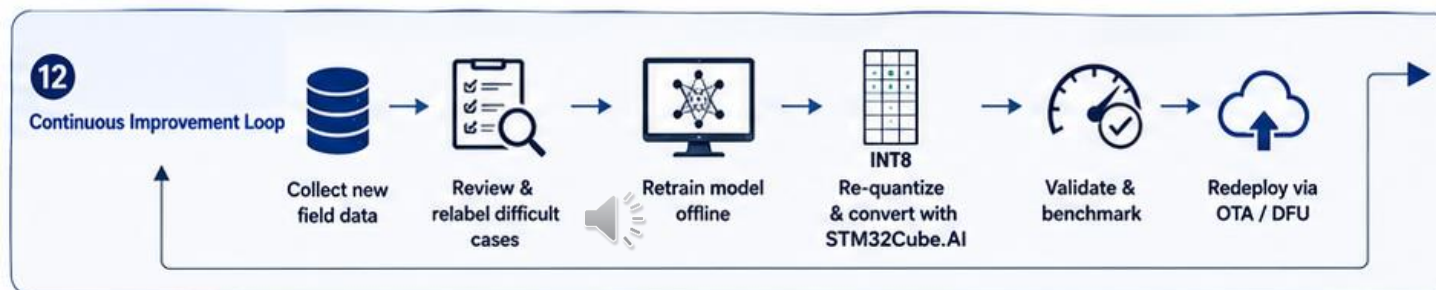
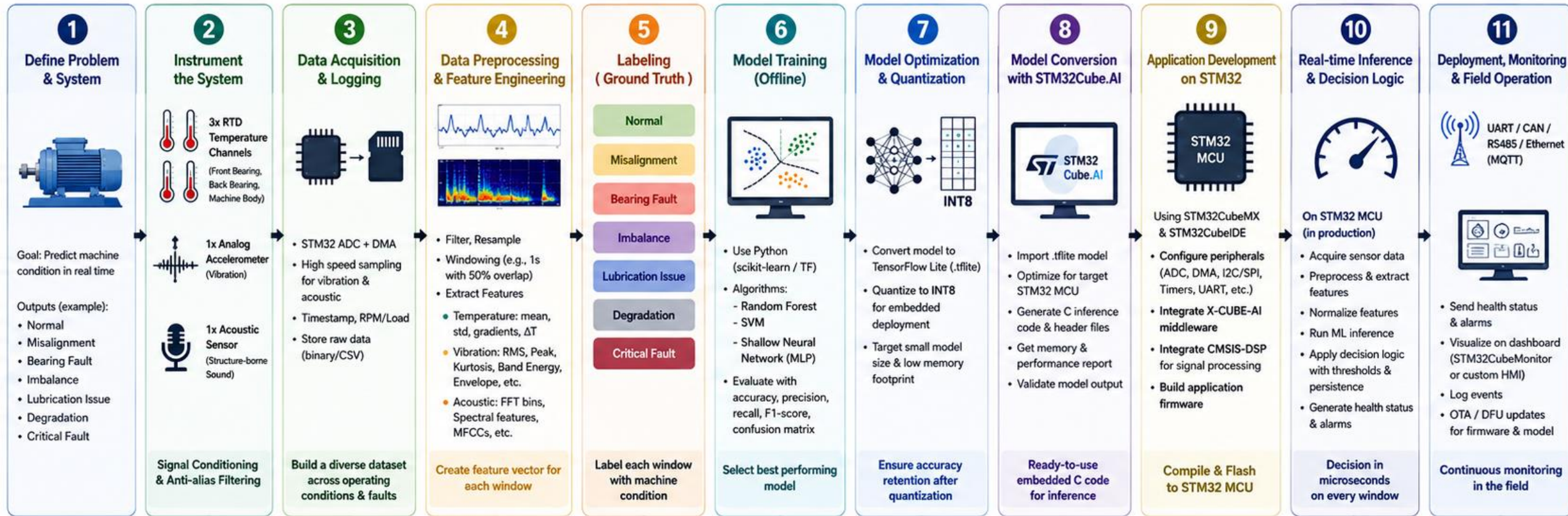
Efficient Embedded Performance

Lower Bandwidth & Compute Cost

Secure & Reliable Deployment

# ML based AI Implementation for Rotating Machinery Health Monitoring System

End-to-End Implementation Flow (Using STM32 MCUs & Ecosystem – Without NanoEdge AI Studio)



**i** This flow enables an end-to-end ML based AI solution for rotating machinery health monitoring using STM32 MCUs and the ST ecosystem.

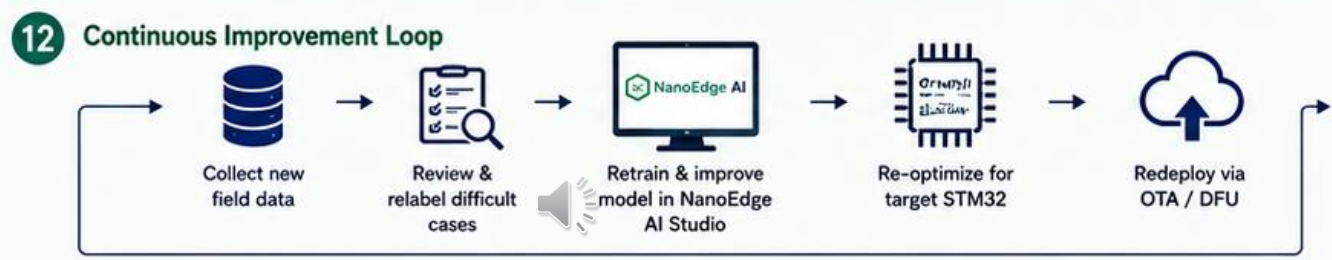
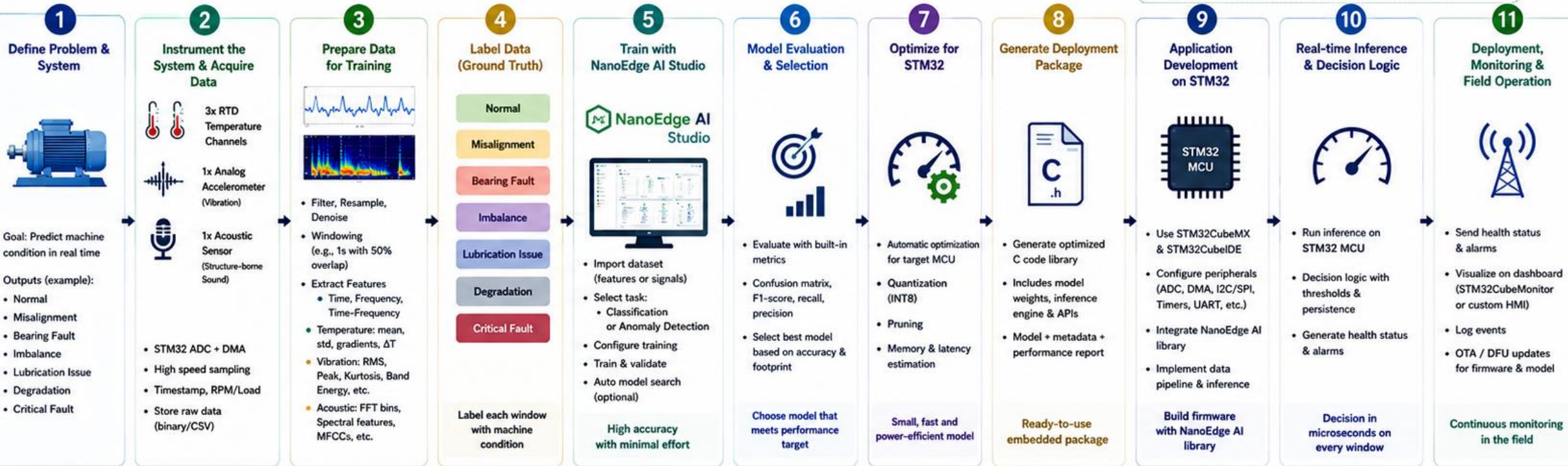
# ML based AI Implementation for Rotating Machinery Health Monitoring System

## End-to-End Implementation Flow (Using NanoEdge AI Studio)

- Faster Development** with no/low-code ML
- Optimized for STM32** from edge to cloud
- Small Footprint & Low Power**
- Built-in Anomaly Detection & Classification**
- Easy Update & Redeploy**

**Use Case Sensors**

- 3x RTD Temperature** (Front, Back Bearing, Body)
- 1x Analog Accelerometer** (Vibration)
- 1x Acoustic Sensor** (Structure-borne Sound)



















- ✓ Continually adapts to new operating conditions
- ✓ Improves accuracy over time
- ✓ Lower downtime & maintenance cost
- ✓ Higher reliability & safety

**Key ST Ecosystem Tools**


STM32CubeMX	X-CUBE-AI Deployment Middleware
STM32CubeIDE	CMSIS-DSP Signal Processing Library
STM32CubeMonitor	STM32 MCUs Optimized for Edge AI
Monitoring & Visualization	

This flow enables an end-to-end ML based AI solution for rotating machinery health monitoring using STM32 MCUs and NanoEdge AI Studio.



# Can or should a B.E. student of India work on all four layers?

Layer	Can a B.E. student work on it?	What's realistic in 3 years?	Faculty level	Student level
<b>4</b> <b>Application</b>  Dashboards, Apps, ML Models	 Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Build dashboards &amp; mobile apps</li> <li>Use ML models &amp; APIs</li> <li>Integrate cloud/edge data</li> </ul>	 Guide projects, provide cloud credits, datasets, mentorship on ML & systems thinking	 Build apps, dashboards, alerts, reports; deploy ML models; work on real datasets
<b>3</b> <b>Processing</b>  MCU, MPU, NPU, RTOS	 Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Program MCUs/MPUs</li> <li>Use/learn RTOS basics</li> <li>Explore edge AI (TinyML)</li> </ul>	 Labs for embedded systems, RTOS, edge AI; code reviews	 Firmware dev, drivers, edge inference; unit testing & optimization
<b>2</b> <b>Network</b>  WiFi, BLE, LoRa, NB IoT, 4G/5G	 Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use WiFi, BLE, LoRa modules</li> <li>Work with NB-IoT/4G modules</li> <li>Implement protocols (MQTT/CoAP)</li> </ul>	 Provide modules, SIMs, gateway kits; set up test networks	 Connect devices, handle protocols, test reliability & range
<b>1</b> <b>Perception</b>  Sensors, Actuators, PCB, Power	 Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interface sensors &amp; actuators</li> <li>Design simple PCBs</li> <li>Handle power &amp; battery systems</li> </ul>	 Lab instruments, PCB facility, testing equipment, safety	 Prototype circuits, read sensors, drive actuators, basic PCB design & test

## Should you work on all four?

-  Yes, at a learning level. Go deep in one layer (your specialization) and be **competent in the others.**

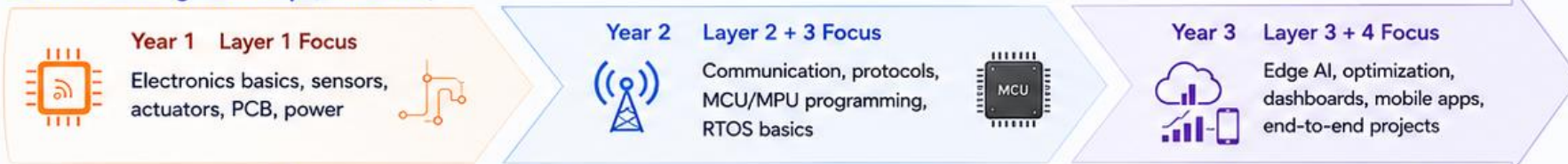
## What's possible in India?

-  Great at student & faculty level with low-cost dev kits, open-source tools and cloud credits.
-  Industry-ready projects are possible with mentorship and consistent practice.

## Focus strategy

-  Years 1–2: Build strong foundation in Layers 1 & 2
-  Year 2–3: Deepen Layer 3, create real projects
-  Year 3 & beyond: Build apps, ML, and end-to-end solutions

## 3-Year Learning Roadmap (Indicative)



## End-to-End Project Ideas

-  **Smart Irrigation System**  
 (Sensors → LoRa → Edge → Dashboard)
-  **Health Monitoring Wearable**  
 (Sensors → BLE → Mobile App → Analytics)
-  **Smart Energy Monitor**  
 (Meter → WiFi/NB-IoT → Cloud → Insights)

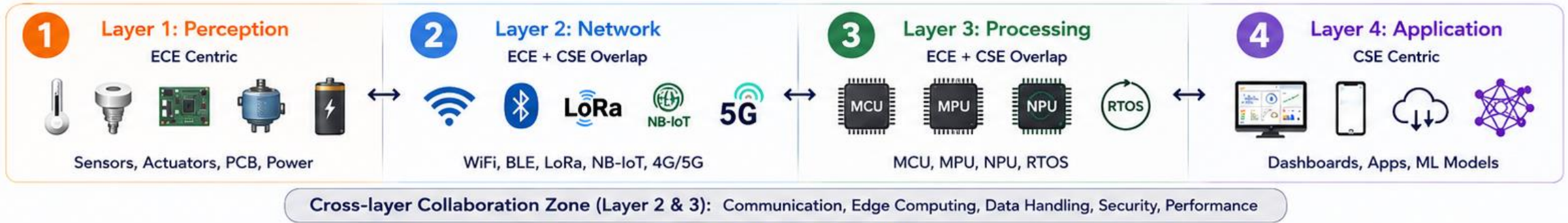
## What helps most

-  Curiosity & Hands-on Practice
-  Open-source Tools
-  Good Mentorship
-  Team Projects
-  Hackathons & Competitions
-  Documentation Communication

**Start small. Build often. Learn continuously. You can master the stack step by step!**

# How Faculties Can Enable Collaboration Across the 4 Layers

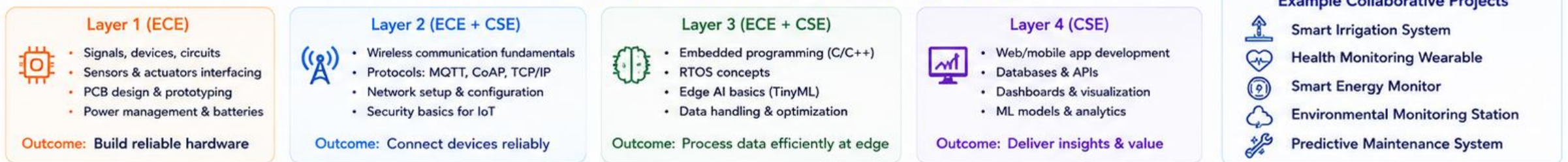
Enforce core learning for each domain, collaborate where they overlap, and make efficient use of time & knowledge



## Faculty Collaboration Model



## Learning Focus for Students (with Faculty Support)



## Implementation Path for Faculties



## Benefits

- Stronger fundamentals in own domain
- Broader understanding across layers
- Better projects, placements & innovation
- Efficient use of faculty time & resources

**Key Principle:** Own your layer. Teach your strength. Collaborate in the overlap. Empower students to build end-to-end IoT solutions. | Together we build smarter engineers and smarter systems.

# Cross-Disciplinary & Application Domains

## Participating Branches & Their Roles

Branch	Primary Role
ECE	Analog design, PCB layout, RF, EMC
EEE	Power electronics, motor drives, energy
CSE	Embedded software, edge AI, cloud
Mechanical	Enclosure design, thermal, IP rating
Civil	Water systems, structural applications
Agricultural Engg	Domain expertise, deployment
Instrumentation	Sensors, calibration, traceability

## Application Domains

### Agriculture

- Smart irrigation & soil health
- Fertigation control
- Crop disease detection via edge AI

### Water Management

- Pump automation & reservoir monitoring
- Leak detection & flow management
- Water quality sensing

### Smart Cities

- Streetlight & energy management
- Waste level monitoring
- Air quality sensor networks

### Industrial

- Condition monitoring & predictive maintenance
- Process control & energy metering
- Safety interlocks

### Cold Chain

- Temperature & humidity tracking
- Compressor monitoring & alerting
- Last-mile cold-chain for pharma & food



# Design, Testing & Certification Standards

## Mandatory Design Considerations

- EMI/EMC from schematic stage
- Electrical safety & isolation
- Surge & ESD protection
- Environmental sealing (IP rating)
- Thermal management
- DFM / DFT (Design for Manufacture / Test)
- Cybersecurity for connected devices
- Calibration & traceability
- Reliability budgets (MTBF)

## Progressive Testing Protocol

- Bench Tests: Function, accuracy, power draw
- Environmental: Temp cycling, humidity, vibration, IP ingress
- EMC Pre-Compliance: ESD, EFT, surge, conducted & radiated emissions
- Safety: Hipot, leakage, creepage clearance checks
- Reliability: Accelerated life testing
- Final: Formal accredited lab certification (selected designs)

## Certification Pathways

- BIS (Bureau of Indian Standards)
- CE Marking (for export potential)
- FCC / IC (North America / Canada)
- IEC 61000 series (EMC)
- IEC 62368 / IEC 60950 (Safety)
- IP Rating (IEC 60529)
- Agricultural: BIS / NABL tested
- Medical: CDSCO + IEC 60601
- Funding via DST, MeitY, AICTE grants

## Common Software Stack for All Processor Classes

- FreeRTOS / Zephyr RTOS
- Linux BSP (for Class C)
- TFLite Micro / ONNX Runtime for edge ML
- Modbus / MQTT / CoAP middleware
- OTA firmware update framework
- Device management & cloud dashboards
- Git-based shared firmware repository



# Four-Year National Impact

Assumptions: 3,500 colleges · 200 active students/college/year · consistent execution over 4 years

**35 Lakh**

Students with real product-dev experience

**500–1,000**

Certified / certification-ready product designs

**1,000s**

Potential product startups spun out

**35,000+**

Faculty upskilled in modern product engineering

## Phased 4-Year Roadmap

### Phase 1: Year 1 – Foundations

- Identified a product to develop
- System understanding starts
- Work on product definition, certification standards
- Identify Basic components, tools
- Logical thinking introduced
- C programming

### Phase 2: Years 2, 3 – Pilot & Design

- First POC in the lab with easily available components and boards
- Basics of Microcontrollers
- PCB design for EMC, Environmental
- ML fundamentals and AI
- Data collection

### Phase 3: Year 4 – Deployment

- Final Product PCB bring up
- Casing design
- Field testing in actual conditions
- ML optimization with live data
- Finalize product design documentation
- Final deployment & testing

Long-term: India builds one of the world's largest practice-based engineering ecosystems – millions of graduates with genuine product-development experience.



# RE-ARCHITECTING THE FOUR-YEAR RUNWAY: ONE DEPLOYABLE PRODUCT PER TEAM

Building expertise through a progressive pipeline from fundamentals to field deployment.



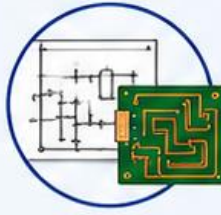
STUDENT DEVELOPMENT → PIPELINE

## Years 1 & 2: THE FOUNDATION



### Component & Datasheet Mastery

- Read a data sheet
- Electronic design basics



### Schematic & 2-Layer PCB Design

- Design schematic
- 2-layer PCB layout
- Design rule basics



### Basic Analog Sensor Interfacing

- Connect simple analog sensors
- Read and analyze analog signals

## Year 3: THE INTELLIGENCE



### Multi-layer Hardware Bring-up

- Test and validate multi-layer hardware
- Debug with lab instruments



### Bare-Metal Firmware & TinyML

- Program, embedded C/C++
- Code optimization
- TinyML development & deployment



### Core System Integration

- Integrate all core components
- Validate in real-world like conditions

## Year 4: THE DEPLOYMENT



### Rugged IP-Rated Enclosures

- Select and design robust enclosures
- Ensure sealing, thermal and mechanical reliability



### Real-world Field Stress Testing

- Environmental testing
- Long duration reliability
- Performance validation in field conditions



### The Goal: A Working Physical Box

- Deployable end-product
- Ready for real-world use and demo

## OUTCOMES AT THE END OF YEAR 4



### Deployable Product

A fully functional, rugged, field-tested physical product.



### Industry-Ready Skills

Hands-on experience across hardware, firmware, testing and system integration.



### Team Collaboration

Cross-functional teamwork to build and deliver a real-world product.



### Real-World Impact

Solutions that solve real problems and create measurable impact.



## THE GOAL

By the end of Year 4, each team will deliver one deployable, field-tested physical product that demonstrates engineering excellence, innovation, and impact — ready for industry, incubation, or startup.



## THE JOURNEY



Learn (Fundamentals)



Build (Intelligence)



Validate (Real World)



Deliver (Impact)

# What I am Sharing with you

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Today I am sharing:

- **49 specifically identified ML & AI problems** mapped to India's most critical sectors – each problem is real, scoped, and solvable at research scale
- **A framework** for how to adopt, structure, and execute one problem as a faculty-led initiative
- **A community model** – how individual faculty effort can connect, replicate, and scale across institutions
- **Starting resources** – datasets for ML, funding pointers, tools and collaboration pathways available right now

***This is not inspiration for its own sake. This is a guide map for your journey.***





# Outcome

The outcome possible with one action and more details around

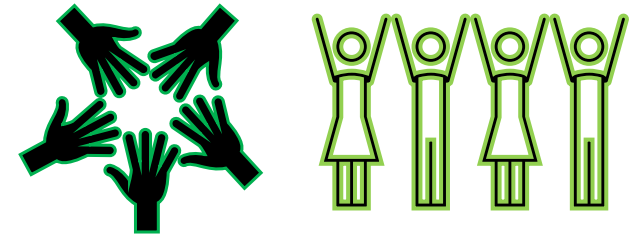


# When Students collaborate inter department at college

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Students feels and learn via creating engineering solutions

- “Not everyone of us is the same, **Everyone has got a unique talent**”
- “Larger meaningful **success can come only when we come together as a TEAM**”
- “Shift from Individual heroes celebration to **win as a team for real world problem solving**”
- “My **theory grades** tells people **I am a person willing to commit my time and energy**”
- “My **hands on Engineering expertise** in action can tell everyone that **I am an able Engineer**”
- “My **Hands-on Engineering founded on theory** is my way of service to the community & my nation”



- ✓ *Student Collaboration is inspired by department faculty collaboration*
- ✓ *Faculties keep “My Students recognition in the nation first” and “National level college recognition” follows*

## Student, Faculty, College – all WIN together



# Educational Institute advantage – Enabled by Faculties

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*A key differentiation especially for Tier 2, Tier 3 colleges. Possibility for a national level success story.*

- **The GCC Magnet:** Global Capability Centers seek "Full-Stack Hardware" talent. Your college can shift from being a "Service-Sector" feeder to become an "R&D Hub."
- **Patent & Startup Pipeline:** Deployable hardware is the foundation for IP filing and campus-led startups.
- **Marketing Edge for the Engineering college:** "Here is a college in the region producing EMC-aware, field-deployed AI solutions and students willing to rise."
- **Salary Transformation for student :** Moving students from 3-4 LPA (Mass Recruitment) to 8-12 LPA (Product Engineering).



# Change in Student's Enthusiasm – Enabled by faculties

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- **What's on the Students mind today:**

- Which college gets most campus hiring companies. (higher number of placements, higher salary package)?
- Will my college be able to attract campus hiring companies this year? What will make sure I get hired in the campus? What should I study besides the theory what courses I need to take?
- Anxious students loaded with theory, hackathons, online tests what not...

- **When the Faculty and institution decides to implement 4 Year Hands-on Engineering program:**

- **Better Clarity and confidence for students built over the years.**
- Significant percentage of students are occupied with the mindset on what I can create?
- Some can become entrepreneurs creating startup and other at the least have a confidence that “I have learnt a Hands-on profession and I don't need to necessarily long for campus placement alone, I can pursue my passion”.



# Pros, Cons & Risk Mitigation

## Pros

### Educational Benefits

- Genuine hands-on experience every year
- Strong portfolios for industry hiring
- Cross-disciplinary collaboration

### Industrial Benefits

- Graduates need less onboarding
- Shared reference designs cut dev cost
- Local supply-chain development

### National Benefits

- Strategic self-reliance in key sectors
- Innovation & startup ecosystem growth
- Better ROI on education investment

### Economic Benefits

- Commercialisation of certified designs
- Job creation in product engineering
- Long-term export potential



## Cons & Challenges

### Faculty Readiness

Most faculty need significant upskilling in product engineering

### Funding Requirements

Lab equipment, prototyping & EMC testing are expensive

### Governance Complexity

Without coordination, duplication and fragmentation occur

### Evaluation Reform

Traditional exam systems don't reward hands-on work

### Superficial Execution Risk

Projects may devolve into kit assembly if standards are weak

### IP & Certification Cost

Formal EMC/safety testing is costly; IP ownership unclear

**Key Mitigations: National steering committee · Regional shared EMC labs · Seed grants · Faculty training academies · Public benchmarking dashboards**

# Governance, Funding & Rollout - Suggestions

## Governance Structure

### National Steering Committee

- Sets standards, platform roadmap, metrics
- Includes AICTE, MeitY, DST, Industry leaders

### Domain Working Groups

- Agriculture · Water · Industrial · Mobility · Healthcare
- Define application requirements & evaluation criteria

### Regional Centres of Excellence

- Advanced testing, EMC pre-compliance labs
- Faculty mentoring & design reviews

### Participating Colleges

- Develop modules under common standards
- Contribute to shared repository & field deployments

## Funding Sources

### Government

AICTE, DST, MeitY, MSME, State Government grants

### Industry CSR

Sponsored problem statements, equipment, mentors

### Research Grants

Mission-oriented innovation & national lab programs

### Student Startups

Incubation support, TBI grants, commercialisation

### Private Investment

VC / angel for certified product startups



**Suggested Metrics: Working prototypes · Open reference designs · Pre-compliance passes · Certifications · Industry adoptions · Startups formed · Graduate placement outcomes**

## 10 · Call to Action

# What Every Faculty Member Can Start Tomorrow

*No policy change. No government approval. Just a decision.*

**1**

### Set the Standard

Tell your students: 'You must build one complete working product before you leave my course.'

**2**

### Define the Platform

Pick a sensor + embedded controller + load output combination relevant to a local problem (agriculture, water, industry).

**3**

### Enforce Real Testing

Require measured results, failure analysis, and documented debugging – not just a demo video.

**4**

### Connect with Industry

Invite one local company per semester to review student designs and provide real-world feedback.

**5**

### Submit to the Repository

Contribute the best designs to a shared open national platform for other colleges to build upon.

**6**

### Push for Certification

Identify 1–2 designs each year for pre-compliance testing – pursue full certification with grant funding.



**If every faculty member does this consistently – India's engineering education transforms from credential-giving to product-building.**

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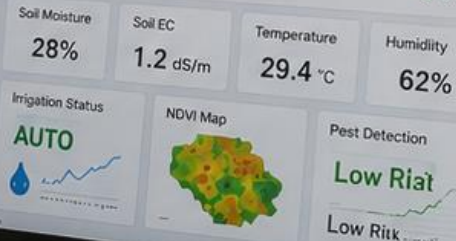
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- ✓ Pest & Disease Detection
- ✓ Crop Yield Prediction

Deployed. Tested. Impacting Lives.

Location: College Farm  
Crop: Capsicum  
Model Accuracy: 94.6%  
Water Saved: 32%  
Yield Increase: 18%

### AI AGRICULTURE DASHBOARD



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